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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for Current Intelligence

**SUBJECT: Draft of a Proposed Geographic Intelligence
Memorandum**

1. As mentioned yesterday on the phone, I agreed some time ago to give you an opportunity to look over a draft of our next Geographic Intelligence Memorandum. Its title is "The Role of Water Development in the Growth of Israel" and a copy is attached.

2. I have taken considerable pains to instruct the geographic analysts to avoid inclusion in the drafts of political overtones which might lead to misinterpretation. We fully realize that this type of intelligence memorandum should be used as a medium for providing essential background information of a geographical nature so interpreted that it is of direct use to the intelligence officer concerned with current problems arising in critical areas. On the other hand, a geographic analyst is not expected to expand his discussion to the point of forecasting political actions.

3. As is normal to the format for such memoranda, a map will be included to show in considerable detail the essential elements of the master plan for the development of irrigation. I feel that the map with the accompanying text will be a useful piece of basic intelligence on a subject of important impact that is not fully comprehended by many people.

4. I shall await your comments.

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OTTO E. GUTER
Assistant Director
Research and Reports

Enclosure:
Subject Memorandum
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Jim -

I cannot see that this was reviewed by either Jack or Jay. The introductory half, which has been tacked onto an older piece, is an editor's fright. Overall, the paper has a reasonable content of fact (in the second half) but the two halves aren't really synchronized, and the only real issue (which I guess has been raised in it) - what avenues are open to Israel in view of its arrival at the limits of development of the waters within its borders? - gets no play at all.

I suggest this be sent back to D/GG with a buckslip stating:

"Review and resubmit."

For future reference, the following is what I find wrong in the first half.

TITLE - Awkward. Suggest "Israel and Water", "Water Development in Israel", "Water and Israeli Power", "Water in the Israeli Master Plan."

1st PARAGRAPH - Lines 1-3. First sentence is badly put. "Realistic" is subjective - "carefully formulated" is intended. Would throw out "ill-founded prediction" - no one does this consciously; what is meant is "careless prediction."

Line 3 - "Arab threat" again is subjective, as stated - "estimates of the Arab threat"? Just how does the threat work in this instance? Presumably through weight of numbers, but this is not self-evident.

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Line 5. Exactly what does "also" refer back to?

Line 8. "Optimum figure of 4,000,000 is anticipated" compresses together two ideas. Split up into what the growth is expected to produce, and what the point is at which the Israeli would like it to stop. Or, substitute citation of "control" for "optimum" as more indicative of the important feature related to the 4,000,000.

2nd PARAGRAPH. Lines 2-3. What is "The Master Plan"?

Lines 3-4. A principal, not "the prime" necessity of or national growth and security." Even the, this factor is not true of all nations, but of nations whose physical environment is like that of Israel.

Lines 5-6. What is "feasible cost"? Apparently, it was feasible, if uneconomic. "Made" is poor - one would think that H₂O was being produced in Haifa labs; revise to "but wholly in accordance with the demand of." "Defense considerations" is pretty cryptic.

Line 8. "at present, however,....."

3rd PARAGRAPH - This might go as a footnote, but as it stands it does not further the argument at all.

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Geography Division, ORR
Project Initiation Memorandum

Project No.: 1,495

Date: 2 Jan 57

TO : Chief, Geographic Research

FROM:

1. Subject of Proposed Project: *Growth of Israel by Water Development*

2. Statement of Problem: (Outline to be attached)

Israeli plans for population increase and water utilization cannot be satisfied by water presently available in Israel.

3. Requester: *self initiated* 25X1A

4. Responsible Analyst: [REDACTED]

Branch: *NEA*

5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired From:

- a. Other divisions of the Geographic Area (include maps): *DGC: simple location map.*
- b. D/M domestic procurement:
- c. Other parts of CIA:
- d. Outside CIA:

6. Estimated Man Hours: *Draft and rewrite have taken 64 man hours.*

7. Probable Completion Date: *Draft completed 21 Dec 56.*

8. Probable Form of Final Publication: *GM.*

9. Special Recommendations Regarding Distribution of Final Report:

10. Comments:

Chief, Geography Division

Approved:

Chief, Geographic Research

Date

Assistant Director, ORR

Date

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Very good!

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